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PORTS WILL BE OPENED IN MANCHURIA FOR THE COMMERCE OF WORLD

Such Is the Result of Ratification of the Treaty Between United States and China, at Washington.

By Acting Promptly, America Has Forestalled Any Restraint of the Trade That Would Obtain in Event of War—Two Treaties Lately Ratified Best Move Yet Construed in the Direction of Peace.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Ratifications of the American-Chinese commercial treaty were exchanged at the state department today by Secretary Hay and Sir Chung Teng Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister here. The treaty provides for the opening of the ports of Mukden and An Tung, in Manchuria, to the world's commerce.

The treaty is now an accomplished fact, it remains only to proclaim it and appoint the necessary consuls at Mukden and An Tung. The president has selected these consuls from men of experience already in the consular service and is consequently able to open up the new field to trade with the least possible delay. Their names will be sent to the senate as soon as congress makes provision for their salary, which the state department hopes will be done speedily.

It is regarded as very desirable that such rights as we have acquired in Manchuria as to China shall be fully established and asserted in advance of any possible war that might affect that vast territory to the extent of a change of sovereignty.

The ceremony of exchange took place at the state department by appointment at 11 o'clock. The Chinese minister was accompanied by his secretary. Everything had been arranged and Mr. Conger had notified the department that the Chinese government had placed an exchange copy of the treaty in his hands yesterday. This is held to be equivalent to the delivery of the document to the United States government, as required by the treaty itself. Secretary Hay and the Chinese minister joined today in the signature of the protocol reciting the fact that ratification had been exchanged. The Chinese minister will be given a copy of the treaty by the state department, which he will forward to his

government for deposit in the imperial archives in Peking, and when Mr. Conger's copy reaches Washington it will be placed in the state department library.

The president has signed the proclamation putting into effect the treaty.

Regarding Angora Goats. (Portland Journal.)

John W. Fulton, secretary of the Angora Goat Breeders' Association, of Kansas City, Mo., is here as a delegate to the national convention, but his object is not alone to do his duty as delegate, but to use his utmost endeavors to advance the interests of that branch of the livestock industry which is now in its infancy.

Speaking of the Angora goat industry, Mr. Fulton said:

"It is not to be wondered at that so little is known of the goat industry and the uses to which the different products are put. The manufacture of mohair products dates back about five years, and prior to that time we received only the finished product which was manufactured in and imported from England. Turkey, the home of the Angora goat has, during the past five years, been the chief source of supply for the United States, and has sent in more than one half of the raw material used in this country.

Deceived the Turks.

"The mohair of the northwest states is equal to the mohair of Turkey. Three pelts, one from Oregon and the other from Montana, and Washington that were last year taken to Turkey by a certain dealer, were not distinguished from the Turkish pelts when exhibited side by side.

"Inasmuch as so little has been known of mohair," he continued, "the breeder has been unfortunate in the past in the marketing of his product, simply because he did not know of the

vast strides that have been made in the manufacture of mohair goods, and that there were fully 40 mills in New England states anxious for his product. It is not generally known, but it is a fact that all plushes used by the leading car manufacturers are mohair products. Outside of the value of the fleece, the pelt can be used by furriers in manufacturing imitations of every known fur.

Meat of the Angora.

"The meat of the goat is the most healthful food known, and no single instance of the infection of Angora goats has ever been recorded. The management of the St. Louis world's fair, realizing the importance of this branch of the livestock industry, has given it a place of equal importance with that of sheep, and offers \$3500 in prizes to be awarded between October 3 and 15. With the establishment of a permanent depot when it will be possible for the breeder to receive a proper compensation for his product, the breeding of Angora goats will take on new life, and in time will not only rival, but will excel the leading branch of the livestock industry."

H. L. Fenton, of Polk county, said last year the Polk County Mohair Association, of which he is secretary, received \$20,000 for its clip, which is sufficient evidence of what the future of this industry means to the state of Oregon.

PLUM GOES TO ROBERTS

Portland Man Is Recommended by Oregon Delegation for Land Office.

HE IS NOW DEPUTY MARSHAL

Attack is Made Upon Mine Owners' Association of Colorado By Senator Patterson—Makes Scott of West Virginia Confess.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The Oregon delegation today filed a recommendation for the appointment of Al. A. Roberts, now deputy marshal in Portland, as receiver of the La Grande Land Office, vice Thomson.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Today's session of the senate began with the presentation by Patterson, of Colorado, of a telegraphic petition from the federation of labor of Colorado, in session at Denver, requesting the adoption of the resolution formerly presented in the senate by Patterson, providing for an investigation of the strike by the senate committee on judiciary.

Patterson said that the federation numbers 35,000 members. He asked to have the resolution referred to the judiciary committee, together with the petition. The petition was read. The request for an investigation was upon a representation of the extreme gravity of the situation. Scott asked for the reading of a reply from the mineowners of Colorado, but subsequently withdrew the request, contenting himself with asking to have the request go to the committee and be printed and considered with other papers bearing upon the question.

The presentation of the papers was made the basis of a sharp colloquy between Patterson and Scott.

"The senator from West Virginia will admit that he is one of the mineowners," said Patterson, and Scott admitted that such was the case.

Patterson proceeded to say that the Colorado Mineowners' Association had been more directly responsible than all other influences for the course of Governor Peabody in connection with the recent strikes in the state. The organization, he said, devoted its energies to securing the extermination of union labor, and he asserted that great injustice had been done by the use of the militia in imprisoning men, establishing a press censorship, etc.

Scott said in reply that he had always been a friend of organized labor.

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Golf Clubs Honored

New York, Jan. 13.—At a meeting of the United States Golf Association's executive committee a number of clubs have been elected as social members including the San Rafael Golf Club, California.

IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO TREATIES

Opinion of London Press Is That Ratification of China-United States Treaty Is Move in Right Direction.

Japanese Assert That Demands of America Are Identical With Their Own.

JAPAN POLITELY DECLINES

News of Action at Washington Coming Close on Heals of China-Japan Treaty Causes Shock in Russian Official Circles.

London, Jan. 14.—All the morning papers have editorials which attach great importance to the ratification of commercial treaties between the United States and China, and between Japan and China. The consensus of opinion in these editorials is that ratifying the treaties implies action of sovereignty by China equivalent to a declaration that Russia's occupation of Manchuria is only temporary and for special purposes.

Prominent Japanese merchants say "That is precisely the point for which Japan has been contending and which Russia declined to discuss with her. Japan is now in an advantageous position, championing the cause which is also that of the United States."

The Daily News thinks that China has displayed ominous courage in her recent diplomacy, which will make for peace owing to the hazards which war under present circumstances would involve.

Special cablegrams from correspondents at Russian capitals, say the opinion is held that the ratification of the Japanese and American treaties came as a shock to the Russian foreign offices. The Daily Mail's Tokyo correspondent says the Japanese note is couched in the most courteous language, but it reaffirms absolutely and unequivocally Japan's inability to accept Russia's proposals either as concerns Corea or Manchuria.

Paris, Jan. 13.—No action has yet been taken in the direction of mediation between Russia and Japan, but it is learned the powers are desirous of peace in the far east, and are considering the desirability of such steps. Whether the proposed action will be joint or independent remains to be determined. There seems to be no doubt that such steps will be permissible, with out giving offense to either disputant, under the terms of The Hague convention, to which Japan as well as Russia

London, Jan. 14.—The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Mail cables a description of the state of panic which he says exists at the Royal palace. The emperor has issued a pitiful edict stating that the country is likely to be lost owing to the weakness and vacillation of the people, whom he counsels to act for their own interests. The emperor has also issued an ordinance warning the army not to fire in event of a collision between foreign troops. The correspondent adds that the entire city is extremely turbulent.

TO SING FOR THE LIBRARY.

Local Singers Interested in the Preparation of a Sacred Opera to Be Given This Month.

The sacred opera of Queen Esther which has been sung by more people witnessed by more audiences and bear the means of raising more money for charitable purposes than any other entertainment is the one selected by the ladies of the Library Association to be given soon to raise funds for the public library. Mr. M. E. Robinson of Chicago, who holds the record of having given this opera more times than any other director, has been secured to conduct the performance and he is now holding rehearsals every evening in the basement of the Episcopal church. A large chorus is expected to participate and the cast will include our best soloists. Mr.

Robinson carries costumes for 150 people and often has choruses reaching 100 in number. In a recent production in Spokane, Wash., he had 140 people on the stage at once, and the papers speak of the production as the best local affair ever seen in the city. While in Portland recently Mr. Robinson arranged to give Esther there and in Oregon City and the managers of the Chautauqua are contemplating having him unite the singers and give a large production of Esther at the Chautauqua at Oregon City in July.

PERSONAL MENTION.

H. F. Carnahan, of Hoquiam, Wash., has been in the city for the past two weeks visiting with relatives and friends. He will return home the latter part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Finlayson left last evening for Fruitdale, Cal., where they will visit with their son, R. L. Finlayson. Mrs. Finlayson will be absent for two months.

William Douglas, formerly of the Tongue point lighthouse station, and Mrs. Douglas have gone from Redlands, Cal., to San Diego, where they will remain for several months.

COLOMBIANS TOLD FIBS

Convinced Indians That Panama Had Sold Their Lands to the United States.

ATTITUDE IS NOW EXPLAINED

One of the Chiefs Reaches Colon and Asserts His Intention of Fighting For the Young Republic.

Colon, Jan. 13.—One of the chiefs of the San Blas Indians named Joe Howten, who is well known in Colon arrived here today and explained that the attitude of the Indians toward Panama is the outcome of representations made by Colombians, who informed them that the Panamanians had sold the territory of the San Blas Indians to the United States. He was received this afternoon by the Junta.

The chief explained to officials that beyond Acanti there were 4000 Colombians encamped. He appears decided to fight for Panama against the Colombians.

PURPOSE TO FIGHT PACKERS

The Livestock Men Deliver Strong Speeches Denouncing Combine Calculated to Rob Raiser of Earnings.

Company Proposed for Purpose of Systematically Battling Aggregated Capital.

THEY VOTE TO INCORPORATE

Most of the Day Occupied in Discussing Subject of the Monopoly—Several Addresses Delivered and Papers are Read.

Portland, Jan. 13.—A proposition to incorporate a company of live stock men for the purpose of establishing an independent packing house in the stock centers of the country in order to compete with the packers' combination was the all absorbing topic in the national livestock convention today. By an unanimous vote the convention endorsed the proposition favoring the incorporation of such an institution. Addresses made on the convention floor indicate stockmen are ready and willing to use their money and energy to bring about the desired result. The packers' combine was denounced as a great combine that had not only taken the profits from the stock raiser, but is now wrenching out after his principal. The two sessions were devoted to addresses upon this and other matters of interest to the convention. The morning session was devoted to reports, the last being that of Secretary Charles F. Martin. It was a comprehensive one, and flattering to the association.

This afternoon as soon as several resolutions and other routine matters had been disposed of, the convention turned its attention to addresses. C. E. Stubbs was the first speaker introduced and he delivered an address on

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